

HOUSE No. 2627

By Ms. Spiliotis of Peabody, petition of Joyce A. Spiliotis relative to including the ombudsman program for long term care in hospitals. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A LONG TERM OMBUDSMEN IN HOSPITAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 27 of chapter 19A of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 inserting after the definition of “Long term care facility” the
4 following definition:— “Hospital” an institution as defined in
5 section 52 of chapter 111.

1 SECTION 2. Section 28 of said chapter 19A, as appearing, is
2 hereby amended by inserting after the word “facilities” in 3, 4 and
3 5 the word or hospital in each instance.

1 SECTION 3. Section 29 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the “facility” in line 8 the
3 words or hospital.

1 SECTION 4. Section 30 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after word “facilities” in line 3 the
3 word or hospitals.

1 SECTION 5. Section 31 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facility” lines 12,
3 15, 16 and 28 the words or hospital in each instance.

1 SECTION 6. Section 32 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facilities” in line
3 8, 9 and 19 the words:—or hospitals in each instance.

1 SECTION 7. Section 33 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “facilities” in lines
3 12, 19, 22 and 26 the words “or hospitals” in each instance.

1 SECTION 8. Said section 33 of said chapter 19A, as so
2 appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the
3 word:— facilities’ or in line 15:— or hospitals’

1 SECTION 9. Section 35 of said chapter 19A, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word:— “facilities” in
3 line 7 the words or hospitals.